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# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.56

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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicant does not waive any rights to take any action which would be

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#### TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(c), before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 CFR §1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.

### **RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT**

Listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 are PTO Actions in a co-pending case. The relevance of the references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08 can be found in the respective PTO Actions of the co-pending case. Copies of the PTO Actions in the co-pending case are being submitted herewith. Applicants note that any document listed on any of the Forms PTO-892 of the co-pending PTO Actions that are already of record in this application are not listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08.

Applicant respectfully requests that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

#### FEE

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed to cover the fee associated with an information disclosure statement under 37 CFR §1.97(c).

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Respectfully submitted,

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